

Senator Curtis S. Bramble proposes the following substitute bill:

ONLINE PHARMACY AMENDMENTS

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STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Curtis S. Bramble

House Sponsor: Michael S. Kennedy

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends the Online Prescribing, Dispensing, and Facilitation Licensing Act.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ amends certain provisions related to online prescribing and dispensing of drugs;
- ▶ amends the definition of "unprofessional conduct"; and
- ▶ deletes outdated, transitional language.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

58-83-306, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 180

58-83-502, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2014, Chapter 72

REPEALS:

58-83-304, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 180



26 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

27 Section 1. Section **58-83-306** is amended to read:

28 **58-83-306. Drugs approved for online prescribing, dispensing, and facilitation --**
29 **Delivery of prescription drugs.**

30 (1) An online prescriber may only prescribe, an online contract pharmacy may only
31 dispense, and an Internet facilitator may only facilitate the prescribing and dispensing of,
32 non-controlled, legend drugs [~~that have been~~]:

33 (a) that have been approved by the Food and Drug Administration;

34 (b) that are prescribed to treat the condition for which the drug was approved[~~;~~and],
35 within the drug manufacturer's guidelines;

36 (c) that are specifically approved by the division for online prescribing by
37 administrative rule adopted in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative
38 Rulemaking Act[~~;~~];

39 (d) that are prescribed for a person who is:

40 (i) 18 years of age or older;

41 (ii) at least 16 years of age, if permitted by the state or country in which the patient will
42 receive the drug; or

43 (iii) at least 16 years of age and with parental consent, if required by the state or
44 country in which the patient will receive the drug; and

45 (e) to a person who is located in another country, if the country is designated by the
46 division, by administrative rule, as a country with a regulatory framework for prescribing and
47 dispensing of drugs.

48 (2) If, after January 1, 2010, the Food and Drug Administration issues a clinical black
49 box warning with respect to any drug approved by the board under Subsection (1), the division
50 shall determine what action, if any, is necessary to protect the public health or welfare as a
51 result of the black box warning.

52 Section 2. Section **58-83-502** is amended to read:

53 **58-83-502. Unprofessional conduct.**

54 "Unprofessional conduct" includes, in addition to the definition in Section **58-1-501** and
55 as may be further defined by administrative rule:

56 (1) except as provided in Section **58-83-306**, online prescribing, dispensing, or

- 57 facilitation with respect to a person under the age of 18 years;
- 58 (2) using the name or official seal of the state, the Utah Department of Commerce, or
- 59 the Utah Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing, or their boards, in an
- 60 unauthorized manner;
- 61 (3) failing to respond promptly to a request by the division for information including:
- 62 (a) an audit of the website; or
- 63 (b) records of the online prescriber, the Internet facilitator, or the online contract
- 64 pharmacy;
- 65 (4) using an online prescriber, online contract pharmacy, or Internet facilitator without
- 66 approval of the division;
- 67 (5) failing to inform a patient of the patient's freedom of choice in selecting who will
- 68 dispense a prescription in accordance with Subsection 58-83-305(1)(n);
- 69 (6) failing to keep the division informed of the name and contact information of the
- 70 Internet facilitator or online contract pharmacy; and
- 71 (7) violating the dispensing and labeling requirements of Chapter 17b, Part 8,
- 72 Dispensing Medical Practitioner and Dispensing Medical Practitioner Clinic Pharmacy.

73 **Section 3. Repealer.**

74 This bill repeals:

75 Section 58-83-304, Existing written agreements for online prescribing -- Pending

76 applications.